

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
LUBBOCK DIVISION**

STATE OF TEXAS AND
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

Plaintiffs,

V.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION,
PETE BUTTIGIEG, in his official
capacity as SECRETARY OF
TRANSPORTATION, and
SHAILEN BHATT, in his official
capacity as ADMINISTRATOR OF
THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY
ADMINISTRATION,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 5:23-cv-00304-H

TEXAS'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL

Plaintiffs the State of Texas and the Texas Department of Transportation (together, Texas) now come and file this Motion to Substitute Counsel. Texas respectfully shows the Court the following:

1. Texas's current lead counsel **Logan Harrell**, Assistant Attorney General, is scheduled to leave the employment of the Office of the Attorney General on April 1, 2024.

2. Texas wishes to designate **Wesley S. Williams**, Assistant Attorney General, as lead counsel and attorney-in-charge for Texas in the above-styled cause of action. Mr. Williams is currently involved as secondary counsel for Texas and is a member in good standing of the State Bar of Texas.

3. Mr. Harrell consents to this substitution and will remain secondary counsel for Texas until April 1; however, Texas requests that all notices and communications regarding the above-styled cause of action be directed to Mr. Williams as lead counsel and attorney-in-charge per the contact information below.

4. This change is neither intended to cause nor expected to result in any delay of the proceedings.

5. Defendants do not oppose this Motion.

PRAYER

The State of Texas and the Texas Department of Transportation request that this Motion be granted and that Wesley S. Williams be substituted as lead counsel and attorney-in-charge in place of Logan Harrel.

Dated: March 13, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

On March 12 and 13, 2024, I conferred with Michael P. Clendenen, counsel for Defendants, who confirmed that Defendants do not oppose Texas's Motion to Substitute Counsel.

/s/ Wesley S. Williams
WESLEY S. WILLIAMS
Assistant Attorney General

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 13, 2024, a copy of the foregoing document was electronically filed on the CM/ECF system, which will automatically serve a Notice of Electronic Filing on all attorneys of record in this case.

/s/ Wesley S. Williams
WESLEY S. WILLIAMS
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